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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE MEETING BETWEEN SECRETARY KISSINGER
AND MINTOFF

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1. MINTOFF WILL LEAVE TOMORROW JANUARY 17, TO ATTEND
MEETING OF SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC LEADERS IN DENMARK. HE
NOW PLANS TO RETURN TO MALTA ON JANUARY 20. (FYI.
THERE ARE UNCONFORMED RUMORS THAT QADHAFI MAY VISIT
MALTA JANUARY 21-22. END FYI)

2. PUBLICATION HERE OF THE NEWS OF THE SECRETARY'S
STOPS IN COPENHAGEN JANUARY 20, BRUSSELS JANUARY 23,
AND MADRID JANUARY 24-25 CAUSES ME TO EXPECT MOMENTARILY
ANOTHER QUERY FROM MINTOFF OR CAMILLERI ABOUT THE
POSSIBILITY OF MINTOFF'S MEETING BRIEFLY WITH THE
SECRETARY IN ONE OF THOSE CAPITALS.

3. IF THE SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE PERMITS, I BELIEVE
IT WOULD BE VERY USEFUL TO SEE MINTOFF BRIEFLY
AND PUT THIS ONE BEHIND US. PLEASE ADVISE. SMITH

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